



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Volunteers don't necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." ~ Elizabeth Andrews

May 1, 2013

Pickup Donations for H2H Sale – May 2-11

Hoosier to Hoosier Community Sale volunteers are needed to intercept reusable items from IU residence halls, Greek houses and multiple off-campus housing units. Last year, they collected 35 tons of donations and raised \$29,000 for local charities, all with the power of volunteers and student donors! Volunteers are needed from May 2-11 and beyond. Sale date is Aug. 24. Any amount of time and all capabilities are appreciated! Minimum age is 16 if with an adult. Please contact h2h@indiana.edu or 349-3837. (www.indiana.edu/~sustain)

Architectural Cake Contest – May 11

How would you like to be a volunteer baker for the Architectural Cake Contest celebrating National Preservation Month in May? The contest will be from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on May 11, in the atrium of City Hall and is sponsored by the City of Bloomington Historic Preservation Commission and the Monroe County Historic Preservation Board. Entry forms are due by noon on May 8. Minimum age is 8. Please contact Nancy Hiller at nrhiller@nrhillerdesign.com or (812) 349-2560. (<http://cakecontest.wordpress.com>)

Learn to Ride – May 14-23

Children will spend the summer cruising on their bicycles thanks to volunteers for the 'Learn to Ride' program from 4-5:30 p.m. on May 14-16 and May 21-23. Eight volunteers – who should be prepared to do a lot of running - are needed per day to assist Bloomington Parks and Recreation staff with teaching riding etiquette and techniques through individual instruction, as well as bike maintenance, road safety, and proper bike and helmet fittings. Volunteers can sign up for one or both sessions; minimum age is 16. Register at <http://bit.ly/Learn2Ride> or contact Kim Ecenbarger at (812) 349-3739 or ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov. (www.bloomington.in.gov/parks)

Reality Store – May 16

The final Reality Store of the school year will be May 16 at Batchelor Middle School. Its purpose is to help students better their understanding of personal finance. Students are first assigned educational levels based on their GPAs and then learn the average salary of 28-year-olds with those degrees. The students visit 16 stations to decide how to spend their salaries and make ends meet, budgeting for housing, transportation, clothes, food, and so on. About 35 volunteers are needed for each shift, which are: 7:30-10:10 a.m. and 10 a.m.-1:10 p.m. (includes lunch). Shifts are scheduled so volunteers arrive ten minutes before the students for orientation. Volunteers can sign up for one or both shifts. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Macy Hughes, Chamber of Commerce Franklin Initiative, at (812) 336-6381 or mhughes@chamberbloomington.org. (www.chamberbloomington.org)

Assist with Creation of International Academic Program

The International Pacific Institute of Indiana, a nonprofit based in Bloomington, is seeking one or two volunteers to work with them to establish and operate a school offering graduate level courses at a variety of institutions around the world, including the Universidad Catolica de Santa Maria in Peru. Curriculum will focus on the conservation of biodiversity as well as the relationship between sustainable use and biotechnology. Projects include obtaining approval from the State of Indiana, obtaining approval to become an applicant institution for student visas, and fundraising. Volunteers must have computer and writing skills; familiarity with higher education is a plus. Please contact Masahiko Kitayama at (812) 369-4002 or contact_center@ipiin.org.

Community Wish List Spotlight

Bloomington Area Birth Services

Educates, supports, and empowers pregnant women, new mothers, and their families as they make informed decisions throughout childbearing and early parenting years, honoring the diversity of families. To grant a wish, contact Chelsea at (812) 337-8121 or chelsea@bloomingtonbirth.org. (2458 S. Walnut St.; www.bloomingtonbirth.org)

Wishes: dishwasher, autoclave safe for plastic, Quickbooks Point of Sale software/hardware bundle, envelopes, stamps, pocket folders with prongs, pricing gun, office chair, coffee, coffee carafe, newborn and size one diapers

Use the [Community Wish List](#) to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

